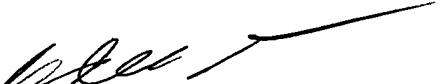


In view of the foregoing comments, the applicant respectfully submits that claims 16 and 35 and the claims dependent thereon are not anticipated or in any way rendered obvious by Sicar et al.

In claim 30, the applicant has amended step (c) to remove the word cyclically.

In view of the forgoing comments and amendments, the applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any further concerns regarding the language of the claims, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (416) 957-1695.

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